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for use in epidemic control. These have been used with success in certain military installations as well as in the recent epidemic in Brazil. Since measurable antibodies do not appear until two or three weeks after inoculation, these vaccines would appear to be of little value in the treatment of close contacts of a patient with an active case.

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